

Albany SAGE Statement of Work FY 2009

Note: This is a working document compiled by Mike Kusiek for consideration and evaluation by local SOC, state grant team, and other SAGE sites. It is neither comprehensive nor completely thought out (ha).

Overarching Objectives:

1. Increase service to youth and families
 - a. Maximize capacity of current Family Care Coordinators (FCC)
 - i. Expand Social Marketing (partner with UPLIFT)
 - ii. Take advantage of training opportunities for FCCs
 - b. Broaden our service capacity through the addition of Family Care Coordinators
 - i. Work with current Medicaid providers as a function of sustainability
 - ii. Partner with other agencies in effort to broaden FCC employers
 - iii. Work with state to increase types of agencies capable of billing Medicaid for Case Management
 - c. Introduce family support staff in Albany County
 - i. Partner with UPLIFT fully in youth and family teams development and needs assessments
 - ii. Identify funding streams for family support staff
2. Improve Family Driven component of our SOC efforts
 - a. Enhance opportunities for parents and families to take leadership roles within our SOC efforts.
 - i. Partner with Lead Family Contact in developing and delivering effective messages to Albany County parents and families.
 - ii. Identify current and potential obstacles to family leadership.
 - iii. Create strategic plan around establishing long-term parent and family leadership.
 - b. Fully support STEPS (solutions to everyday problems) growth and development in Albany County.
 - i. Staff STEPS meetings with key personnel
 - ii. Budget for needs of STEPS meetings annually
 1. SAGE grant dollars
 2. Agency contributions
 - iii. Determine interest in “affinity groups” forming in the area of mental health needs / solutions
 - c. Create opportunities for parents and families to receive necessary training
 - i. Budget each year
 - ii. Network with other SOC sites (tele-learning)
 - iii. Partner with local and state parent education groups

3. Establish Youth Guided component for our SOC efforts
 - a. Identify most efficacious method for “hearing youth voice” in Albany County
 - i. Meet youth where they are
 - ii. Conduct needs assessment
 - iii. Trial and Error and Trial
 - iv. Solicit training from state youth coordinator
 - b. Identify barriers to “youth guided” at our meetings
 - i. Ask youth to attend and provide feedback
 - ii. Perhaps have evaluation team conduct assessment
 - c. Establish partnership with Peer Advocates of Albany County
 - d. Reach out to established youth development efforts
 - i. Through UW (e.g. education, early childhood)
 - ii. COPSA
 - iii. 4H
4. Design, deploy and evaluate goals of CLC in the areas of Culture of Poverty and “rurality”
 - a. Write grant through USDA in the area of mental health needs and rural poverty
 - i. Hire intern from UW to assist with grant
 - ii. Develop a mobile team to meet needs of this population
 - b. Reach out to local and state agencies working with rural poverty
 - i. Extension offices
 - ii. UW dept. of agriculture
 - iii. Stockgrowers assoc.
 - iv. Local therapists
 - v. Rural schools
 - c. Develop comprehensive plan for CLC
 - i. Work with state CLC coordinator
 - ii. Collaborate with other SAGE sites
 - d. Investigate benefits of presenting / publishing our efforts on a national level
 - i. SOC conference
 - ii. National MH publications
 - iii. USDA publications
 - iv. Others
5. Increase number of partners in local SOC community
 - a. Reach out to resistors
 - i. Presentations
 - ii. Word of mouth
 - b. Increase involvement of those “on the fringe”
 - i. Extend invitation to lead
 - ii. Beg, plead, and grovel
 - c. Think out of the box
 - i. Local businesses
 - ii. Advertising agencies / Media

- iii. Community service groups (e.g. Kiwanis, Lions)
- 6. Increase services for community
 - a. Additional or new services
 - i. TFC
 - ii. Respite
 - iii. Day care staff trained to work with SED
 - b. Provide greater access to services outside community
 - i. Tele-health
 - ii. Web-based
 - iii. Take advantage of “train-the-trainer” opps.
 - c. Identify new reimbursement streams
 - i. Medicaid
 - ii. Waiver opps.
 - iii. Donors (Wyoming Community Foundation)